

God's Garden

God looked around his garden
And found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids
And whispered, 'Peace be thine'.
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

Note of Thanks

The family wishes to express deep and heartfelt appreciation for your loving thoughtfulness, concerns, and prayers during this difficult time.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



SUNRISE
JANUARY 2, 1964

SUNSET
APRIL 18, 2023

Sonya Serita Hill

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023
1:00 PM

LAWNDALE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
LAWNDALE, NORTH CAROLINA
REV. BILLY D. HOUZE, PASTOR

Life Reflections

On January 2, 1964, in Newark, NJ, God blessed the late Clarence Cornelius Hill, Sr. and Ella Lee Hayes Hill with the life of their joyous daughter Ms. Sonya Serita Hill. Sonya, age 59, was called home to Heaven on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, in Shelby, North Carolina.

At an early age, Sonya moved to the loving home of her late grandparents James Henry and Idell Hill in Lawndale, NC. She attended and graduated from Northside School in Shelby, NC. During summer breaks, Sonya was thrilled to spend time with her beloved mother, grandfather George, grandmother Aretha, aunts, uncles, and numerous cousins. She especially looked forward to trips to the amusement park, South of the Border. Sonya enjoyed spending time with family. She also looked forward to visits at her late Aunt Edna's to play with her cousins, especially her late cousin Tammy.

Sonya enjoyed attending church and Sunday School. She was baptized at First Baptist Church of Lawndale. She adored her church family and the Lawndale Community. Sonya showcased her fashion sense as she enjoyed collecting and wearing jewelry, keeping her nails painted, and wearing nice hair accessories. Growing up, she spent countless hours listening and singing to the radio.

She was well loved and treasured by her caregivers Fannie and Louisea Roseboro whom she adored. A special thanks is heartfelt from the Hill family.

Sonya was such a warm and loving woman. Her love and joy were exemplified by her connections to family and friends.

She is preceded in death by mother and father; stepmother Gladys Hill; grandparents; Aunt Pricilla; four uncles: George Jr., David, James, and Charles; extended family: Susie Boulware Poston and Pastrano "Bo" Keast.

Left to cherish her beautiful memory and spirit is a brother Clarence "June" Hill Jr. (Fefe) of Lawndale, NC. She also leaves four uncles: Dr. Walter Hill (late Beatrice), Jimmy Hayes (Rosa), Horace Hayes, and Ronald Hayes (Annette); two aunts: Mary Ann White (Matthew) and Joyce Peay; extended family: Evelyn Thompson, Bessie Novella "Wendy" Harper, Cepeda Boulware, Rodney Boulware (Melissa), Sheree Jones (Charleston), and Omar Boulware (Kimberly); a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

Order of Service



Processional	Clergy & Family
Receiving of Family & Friends	12:30 PM - 1:00 PM
Call to Worship	Pastor Billy Houze
Selection	Choir
Old Testament Scripture	Minister
New Testament scripture	Minister
Prayer of Comfort	Minister
Solo	Mr. Timon Peay
Remarks	Mrs. Gail Gober
Selection	Choir
Eulogy	Pastor Billy Houze
Recessional	

Committal/Interment
Lawndale First Baptist Church Cemetery
Lawndale, North Carolina

Floral Bearers
Nieces, Cousins & Friends

Pall Bearers
Nephews, Cousins & Friends